Markowitz efficient frontier states investors should consider multiple securities in a portfolio rather than individually. A portfolio that contains combination of securities with low correlation can benefit from a diversification effect. Meaning investors can optimize their return without assuming additional risk. Markowitz

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In [2]: import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
from pandas_datareader import data as web
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from scipy import stats
%matplotlib inline
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WE will download the data on PG stock and ^GSPC

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In [57]: tickers = ["PG","^GSPC"]
    data = pd.DataFrame()
    for t in tickers:
        data[t] = web.DataReader(t, data_source = "yahoo", start = "2012-1-
    1", end = "2018-12-31")["Adj Close"]

In [58]: #normalize the data
    (data/data.iloc[0]*100).plot(figsize = (16,8))
    plt.show()
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Calculate the daily change, returns of both securties

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In [59]: simple_returns = (data/data.shift(1)) - 1
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In [60]: #we will check if the data matches and have equal values - > 2494 PG and
          2494 ^GSPC
          simple_returns.info()
          <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
          DatetimeIndex: 1760 entries, 2012-01-03 to 2018-12-31
          Data columns (total 2 columns):
          PG
                   1759 non-null float64
          ^GSPC
                   1759 non-null float64
          dtypes: float64(2)
          memory usage: 41.2 KB
 In [ ]:
In [61]: #check the tail end of the data to check for most current date
          simple_returns.tail()
Out[61]:
                         PG
                               ^GSPC
               Date
           2018-12-24 -0.039683 -0.027112
           2018-12-26
                     0.031250
                             0.049594
           2018-12-27
                     0.021423
                             0.008563
           2018-12-28 -0.009128 -0.001242
           2018-12-31 0.008116 0.008492
          simple returns.cov() * 250
In [62]:
Out[62]:
                      PG
                           ^GSPC
              PG 0.021513 0.009302
          ^GSPC 0.009302 0.016424
In [63]:
          #the correlation between PF and ^GSPC is positive but low so the portfol
          io should benefit from
          #markowitz diversification effect
          simple returns.corr()
Out[63]:
                      PG
                           ^GSPC
              PG 1.000000 0.494857
          ^GSPC 0.494857 1.000000
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The number of securties in the portfolio is 2

WE will need the expected returns and the volatility to simulate a mean variance combination with 1000 simulations. WE are considering 1000 combinations of the same 2 assets of their weight values not 1000 different investments.

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In [ ]:
In [65]: #Bellow we will run a simulation of 1000 differenct portfolio that conta
         in PG and ^GSPC to test Markowitz theory.
         #This Will provide us with both 1000 different expected returns and 1000
         volatility values
         portfolio returns = []
         portfolio_volatilities = []
         weights1 = []
         weights2 = []
         for x in range(1000):
             weights = np.random.random(port asset)
             weights[0] = weights[0]/np.sum(weights)
             weights[1] = weights[1]/np.sum(weights)
             weights /= np.sum(weights)
             weights1.append(weights[0])
             weights2.append(weights[1])
             portfolio returns.append(np.sum(weights * simple returns.mean()) * 2
         50)
             portfolio volatilities.append(np.sqrt(np.dot(weights.T, np.dot(simpl
         e_returns.cov() * 250, weights))))
             # we will need to convert the volatilities and and the expected retu
         rns into a numpy array
         port Returns = np.array(portfolio returns)
         port_Vol = np.array(portfolio_volatilities)
In [66]:
         df2 = pd.DataFrame(port Returns, columns=["Returns"])
         df2["Risk"] = port Vol
         df2["Weight PG"] = weights1
         df2["Weight ^GSPC"] = weights2
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df2.tail()
In [67]:
Out[67]:
                             Risk Weight PG Weight ^GSPC
                 Returns
                0.091047 0.132618
                                    0.810997
                                                  0.189003
            995
            996
                0.090460
                         0.135047
                                    0.847484
                                                  0.152516
                0.088821
                          0.142562
                                    0.949287
                                                  0.050713
            997
                                    0.668727
                0.093337 0.124676
                                                  0.331273
                0.097110 0.117831
                                    0.434282
                                                  0.565718
           portfolios = pd.DataFrame({"Volatility": port_Vol, "Returns": port_Retur
In [68]:
           portfolios.head()
In [69]:
Out[69]:
               Volatility
                        Returns
              0.117623
                       0.097487
              0.134139
                       0.090675
              0.119914 0.095384
              0.120421 0.101235
              0.117480 0.098298
In [70]:
           portfolios.tail()
Out[70]:
                 Volatility
                          Returns
                0.132618 0.091047
            995
                          0.090460
            996
                0.135047
                0.142562 0.088821
            997
            998
                0.124676 0.093337
                0.117831 0.097110
            999
           portfolios["Volatility"].min()
In [71]:
Out[71]: 0.11747431618324211
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0.090

0.085

0.115

0.120

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portfolios.info()
In [72]:
          <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
          RangeIndex: 1000 entries, 0 to 999
          Data columns (total 2 columns):
          Volatility
                          1000 non-null float64
                          1000 non-null float64
          Returns
          dtypes: float64(2)
          memory usage: 15.7 KB
In [73]:
          portfolios.plot(x = "Volatility", y = "Returns", kind = "scatter", figsize
           = (16,8)
          plt.title("Markowitz portfolio Theory\n The Efficient Frontier")
          plt.show()
                                              Markowitz portfolio Theory
The Efficient Frontier
            0.110
            0.105
            0.100
            0.095
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THe above graph shows a set of 1000 portfolios of different weights containing PG & ^GSPC, and displays the typical shape of Markowitz efficient portfolio. There are a set of efficient portfolios that can provide a higher rate of return for the same or lower risk. The starting point is the minimum variance portfolio.

0.130

0.135

0.140

0.125

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0.145

0.150